

Central Registry of Publication Activity (CREPČ) - Slovakia

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Agenda

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- new legislation background
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Central Registry of Publication Activity (CREPČ)

- national level, started in 2007
- bibliographical database
- all kinds of the research areas (24 areas of university accreditation)
- all kinds of publications (scientific, professional, artistic)
- publication search is public available:
www.crepc.sk (only slovak version)
- goals:
 - evidence of publication activity in Slovakia
 - statistics for state budget funding for universities

Legislation background and contribution

- Slovak Higher Education Act 455/2012
- MinEdu Edict 456/2012 about CREPČ and CREUČ

- all universities in Slovakia: 34
(public, private, state)

- without Slovak Academy of Sciences and other research institutions

Data collection

- academic libraries (own library information systems)
- XML data export (every month)
- evidence period (annually)

- after final export:
 - no more changes in data from universities

- data repair after final export:
 - only Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technical Information

Publication evidence

- 84 categories (MinEdu Edict)
 - monographs, chapters, articles in journals, papers in conference proceedings, patent documents, reviews (with information about territoriality, peer-review, indexing in WOS, Scopus or CCC)
- publication evidence without citations
- only for full time employees publications
- without connections to: projects, events (conferences), metrics etc.

Evaluation process

- the university is responsible for the accuracy of the data
- formal control (Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technical Information)
- content control (Expert commission) – only for scientific publications:
 - monographs, chapters, studies
 - not the best and the worst publication
- proposal of publication category change + appeal process with 2 degrees

Funding and publishing behavior

- Part of state budget funding
- „Publish or perish feelings“
- Many low-quality publications
- „Salami efect“ of publications
- Breaking of rules from authors
- Low publishing ethics behavior
- Only money hunting (quantity without quality)

New system CREPČ 2

- from January 2018
- 3-year development process
- online database (real time work and data changes)
- records are created directly in the database
- including citation evidence
- publication connection to project, database, event (conference), source documents
- shared entities of persons, institutions (affiliations, publishers)
- only one shared record for every publication

New legislation background

- legislation process in 2018
- new legislation – valid from 2020
- 1 year for change settings – 2019

- new categorization of publications
 - groups of publications types (scientific, professional, pedagogical, artistic and other)

- not only for full time employees
- more evidence flexibility

Future steps

- incorporating legislative changes into the system
- involvement of the Slovak Academy of Sciences and other research institutions
- new types of statistics and outputs for state budget funding, more quality criteria

Thank you for your attention.

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